

A P O S I M Z

CHAPTER

01

TSUTOMU NIHEI



The newest work from
Tsutomu Nihei author
of *BLAME!*, *BIOMEGA*,
and *Knights of Sidonia*

BEGINŚ!!



On a frozen, vast, bleak,
white landscape,
FRAMES wander...

THE 200,000 KM DIAMETER ARTIFICIAL
CELESTIAL BODY OF APOSIMZ. MOST OF ITS
VOLUME IS ITS CORE SPACE, WHICH IS
COVERED BY A SUPERSTRUCTURAL SHELL.

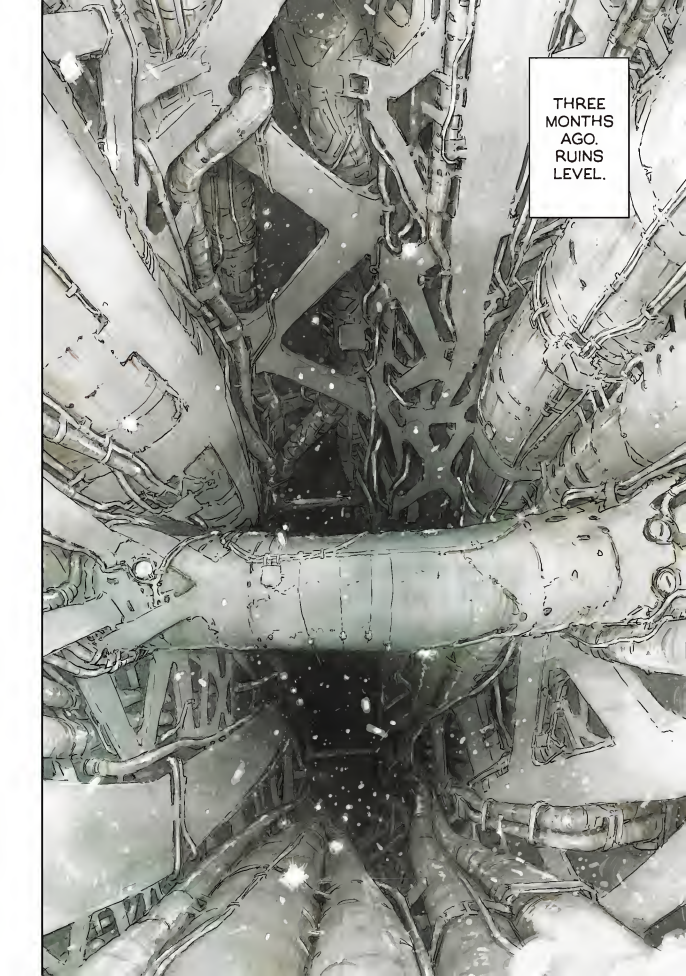
FIFTY CENTURIES AGO, THE PEOPLE WHO LOST
A WAR AGAINST THE CORE LOST THEIR RIGHT
TO RESIDE LEGITIMATELY IN APOSIMZ, AND WERE
LEFT BEHIND ON THE SEVERELY COLD SURFACE.

THEY FACE THE SPREADING FRAME DISEASE,
AND AGGRESSIVE AUTOMATONS WHICH APPEAR
FREQUENTLY ON THE RUINS LEVEL.

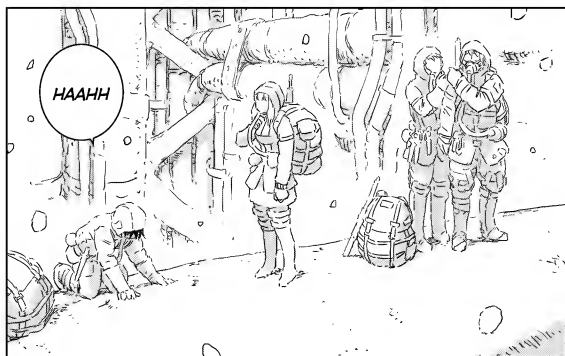
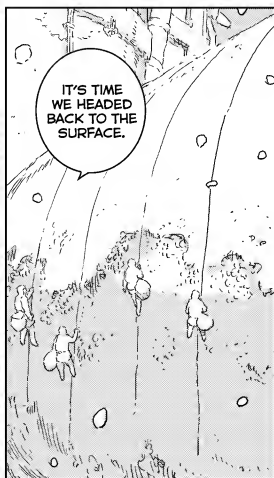
YET EVEN SO, SOMEHOW
THE PEOPLE SURVIVE.

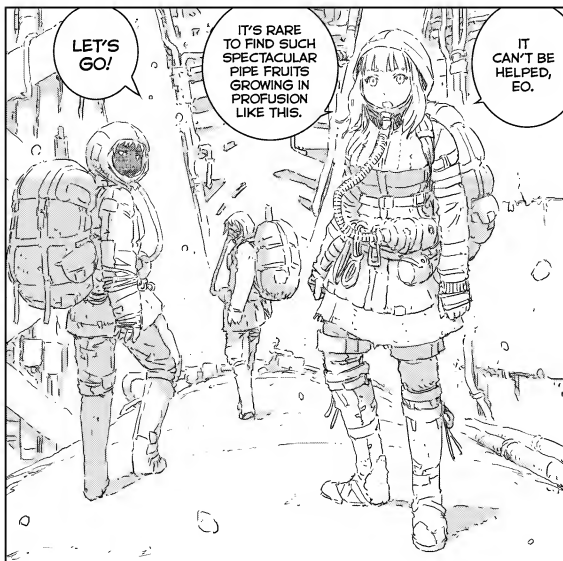
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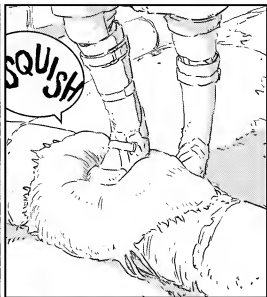
NEW SERIAL, A DARK EPIC ODYSSEY, 86 PAGES
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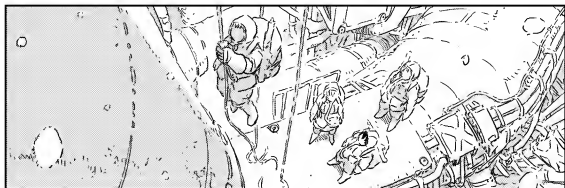


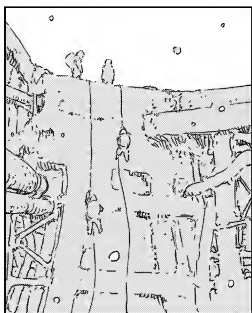
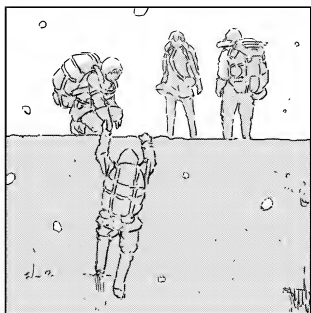
THREE
MONTHS
AGO.
RUINS
LEVEL.

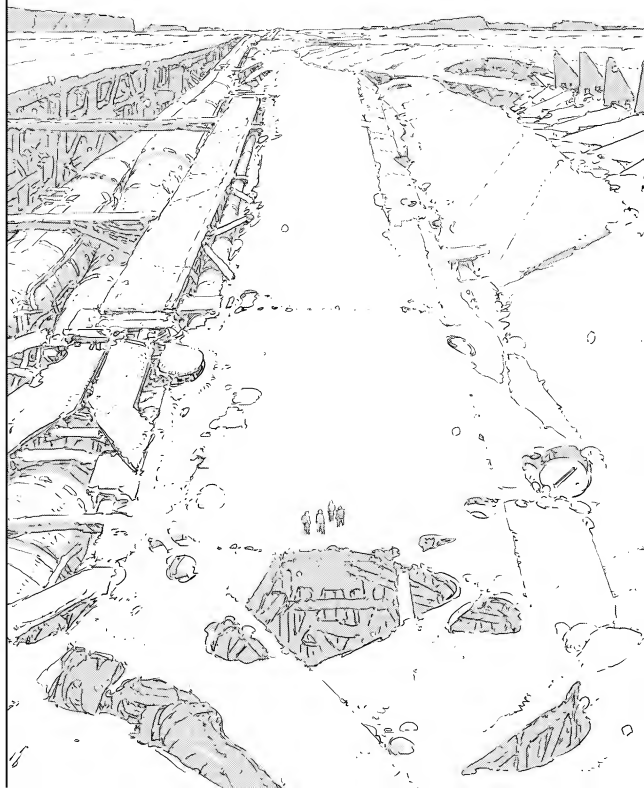


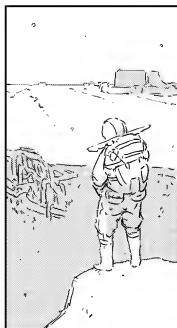












BE
QUICK
ABOUT
IT.

ETHEROW
SENSEI!
I NEED TO
TAKE A
LEAK!

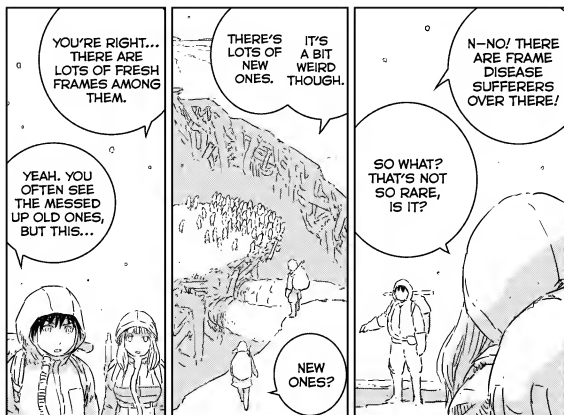


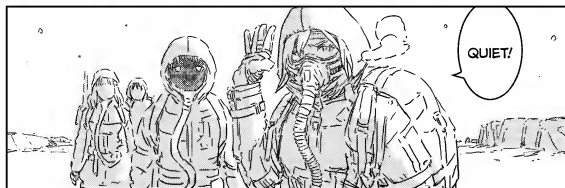
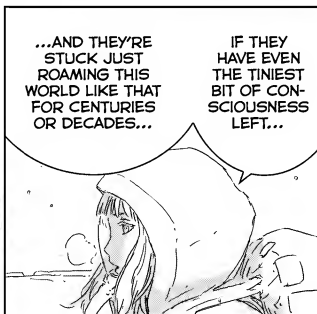
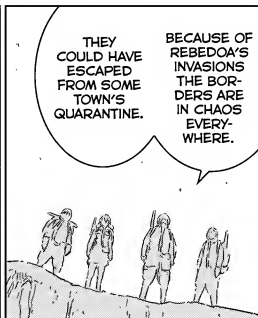
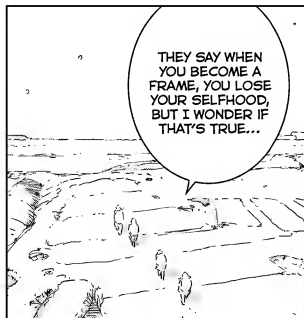
GIVE ME A
BREAK! WHY
WOULD I WANT
TO LOOK AT
YOUR THING!

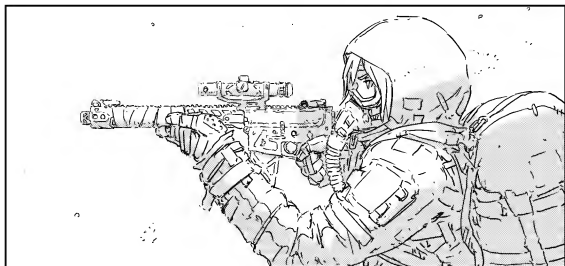
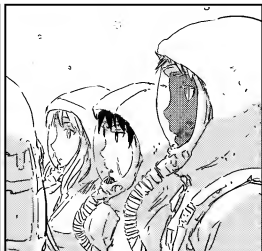
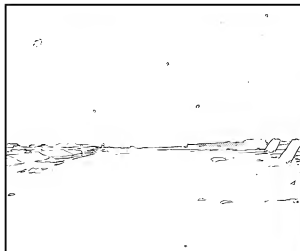
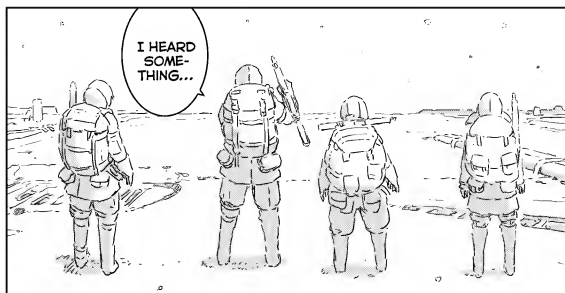


COME
LOOK AT
THIS!

BIKO!

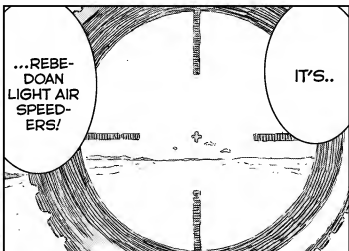








ARE
THEY
AFTER
SOME-
THING?



...REBE-
DOAN
LIGHT AIR
SPEED-
ERS!

IT'S..



THIS COULD
BE TROUBLE.
EVERYONE
HIDE IN THE
HOLLOW.



THEY'RE
COMING
THIS
WAY!



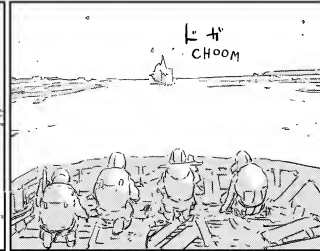
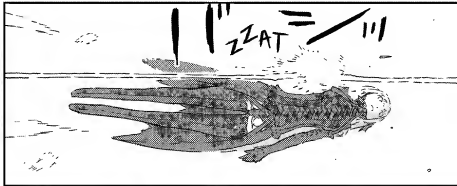
HE'S
RIGHT!!

SHE'S
FLYING?!!

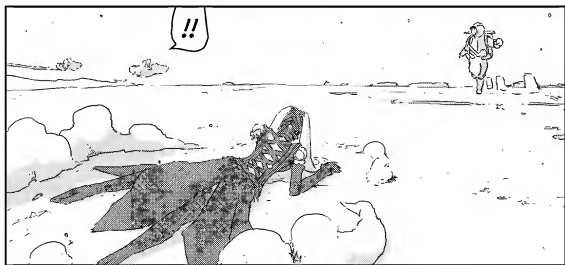
THERE'S
A GIRL!!



SHE'S
BEEN
SHOT!

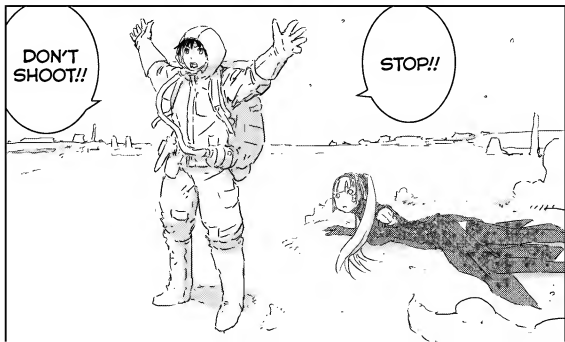


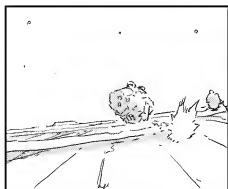
YOU
IDIOT!!
WE CAN'T
GET IN-
VOLVED!!

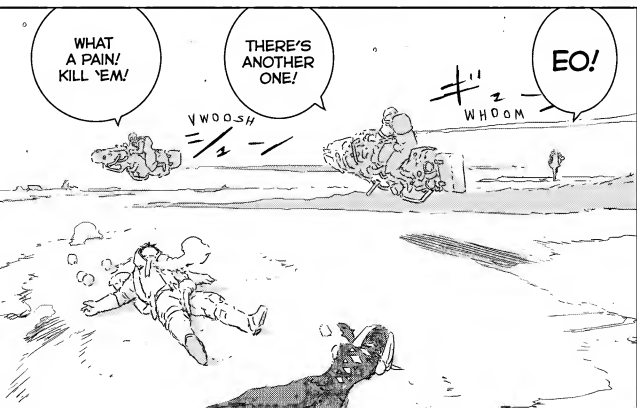


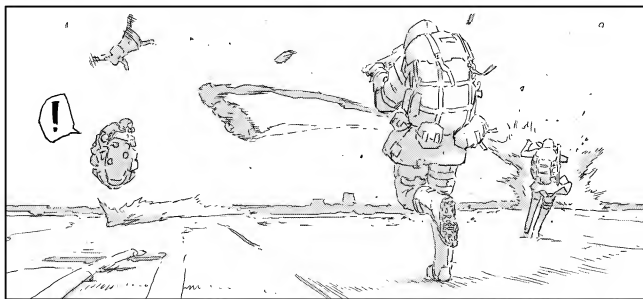
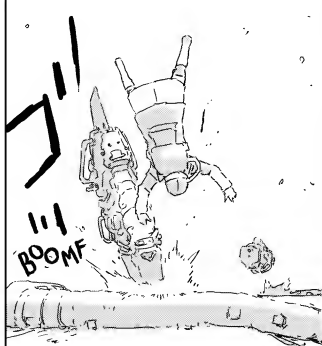
DON'T
SHOOT!!

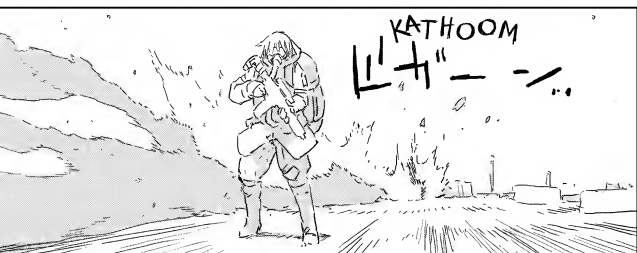
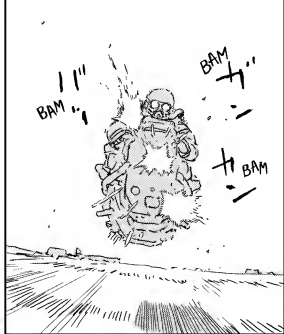
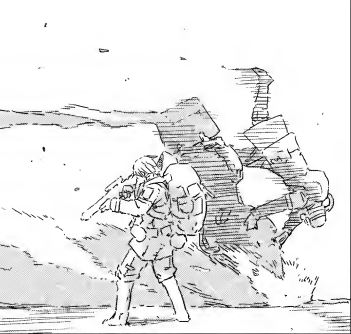
STOP!!

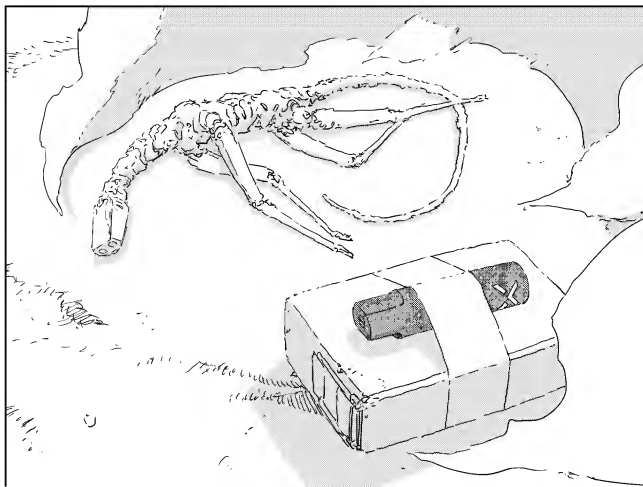












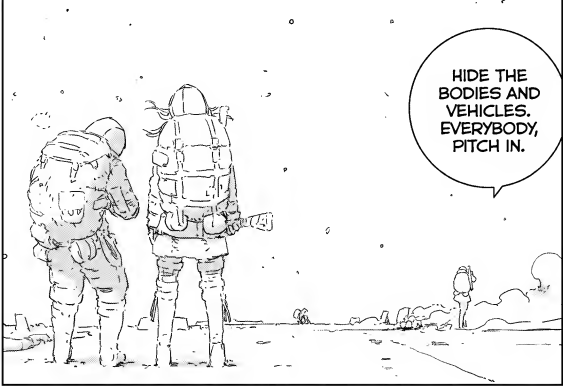
THE GIRL
VANISHED!!

URRG...

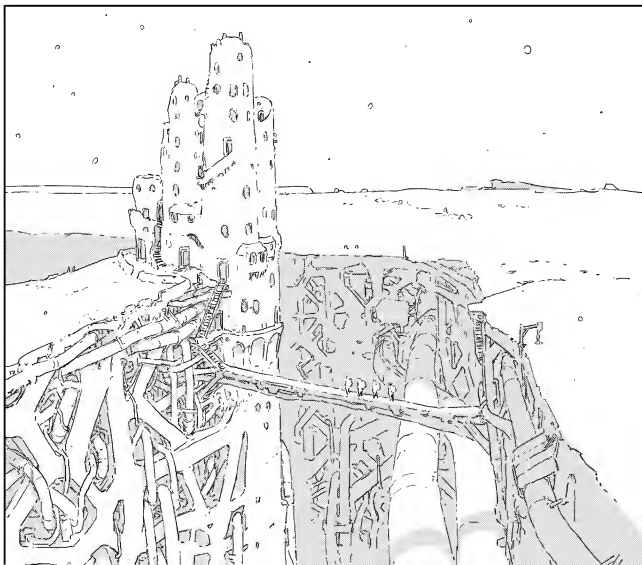
HE JUST
KILLED
THOSE
REBEDOAN
SOLDIERS.

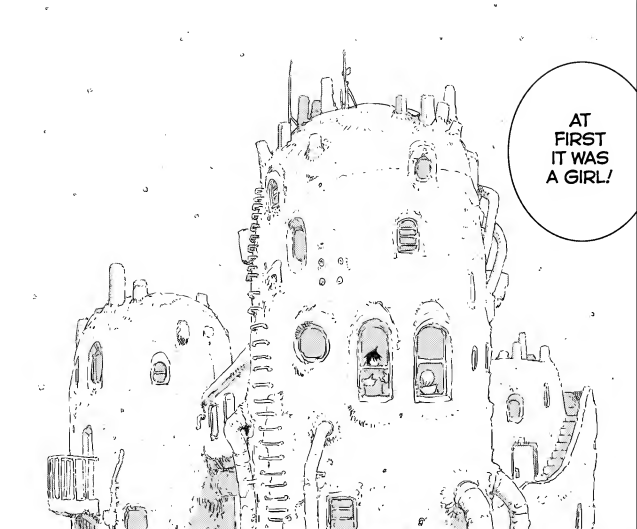
HE
KILLED
THEM...

BAFT
BAFT

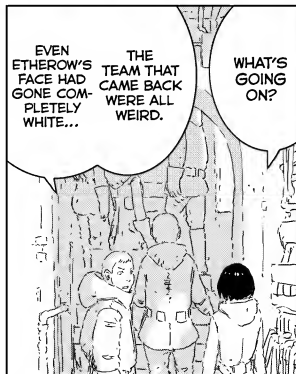


HIDE THE
BODIES AND
VEHICLES.
EVERYBODY,
PITCH IN.





AT
FIRST
IT WAS
A GIRL!

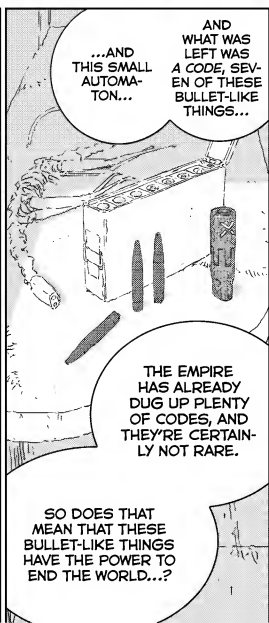
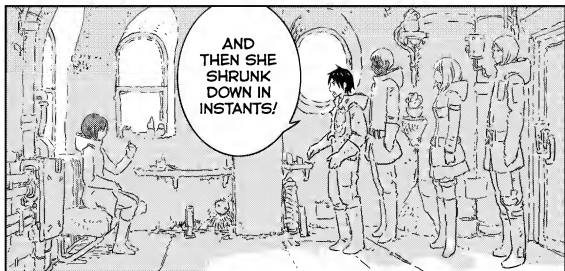


EVEN
ETHEROW'S
FACE HAD
GONE COM-
pletely
WHITE...

THE
TEAM THAT
CAME BACK
WERE ALL
WEIRD.

WHAT'S
GOING
ON?

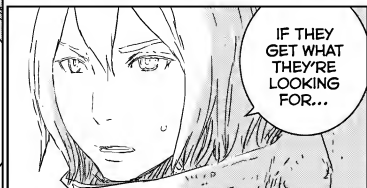
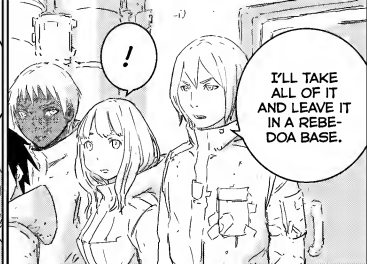




AND
WHAT WAS
LEFT WAS
A CODE, SEVEN
OF THESE
BULLET-LIKE
THINGS...

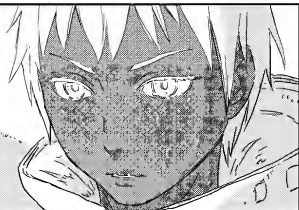
THE EMPIRE
HAS ALREADY
DUG UP PLENTY
OF CODES, AND
THEY'RE CERTAINLY
NOT RARE.

SO DOES THAT
MEAN THAT THESE
BULLET-LIKE THINGS
HAVE THE POWER TO
END THE WORLD...?



EVEN IF YOU GIVE THESE THINGS BACK, THE REBEDOA SEARCH TEAMS ARE STILL SURE TO REACH THIS CASTLE.

YOU PROBABLY THINK YOU CAN QUELL THIS SITUATION, EVEN IF IT COSTS YOU YOUR LIFE, SIR, BUT IT WILL BE IN VAIN.



I'LL DO IT!



THEN LET'S FIGHT THEM! IF WE USE THE CODE, WE CAN BECOME REGULAR FRAMES, RIGHT?



HUH?



WELL?
IT'S A
GOOD
IDEA,
RIGHT!

SHUT
UP.

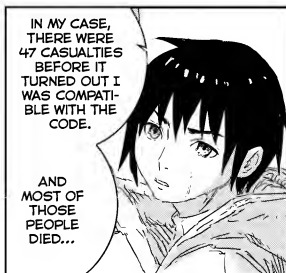


WITH TWO REGULAR
FRAMES ON OUR
SIDE, EVEN REBE-
DOA WILL HAVE
TO WATCH THEIR
STEP!



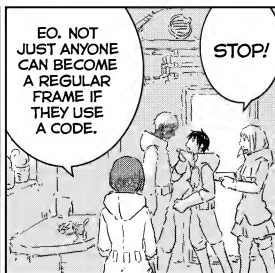
YOU
REALLY ARE
AN IDIOT,
AREN'T
YOU!

DON'T YOU
HAVE ANY IDEA
HOW MANY
REGULAR
FRAMES
REBEDOA
HAS?!



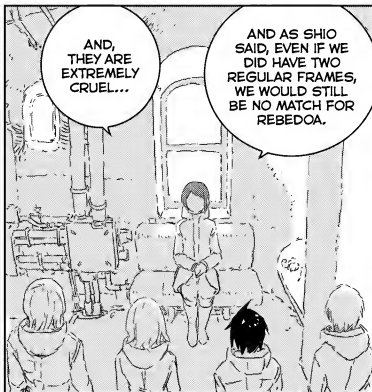
IN MY CASE,
THERE WERE
47 CASUALTIES
BEFORE IT
TURNED OUT I
WAS COMPATI-
BLE WITH THE
CODE.

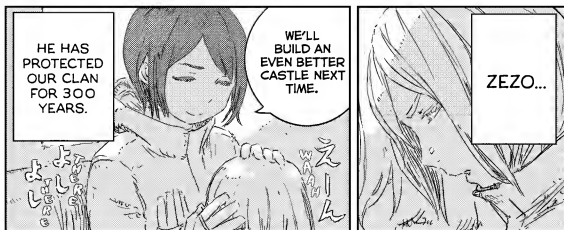
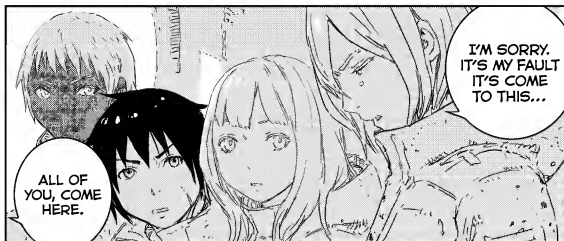
AND
MOST OF
THOSE
PEOPLE
DIED...



EO. NOT
JUST ANYONE
CAN BECOME
A REGULAR
FRAME IF
THEY USE
A CODE.

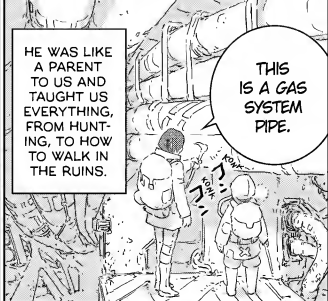
STOP!



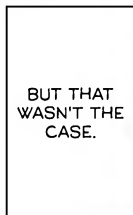




IF A PIPE'S
NOT LABELED,
YOU CAN NARROW
DOWN WHAT
TYPE IT IS BY
THE SOUND
YOU GET FROM
TAPPING IT.



THIS
IS A GAS
SYSTEM
PIPE.



BUT THAT
WASN'T THE
CASE.



OKAY!

HE'S WISE
AND STRONG,
AND I TRULY
BELIEVED THAT
THERE WAS
NOTHING HE
COULDN'T DO.



ETHEROW!



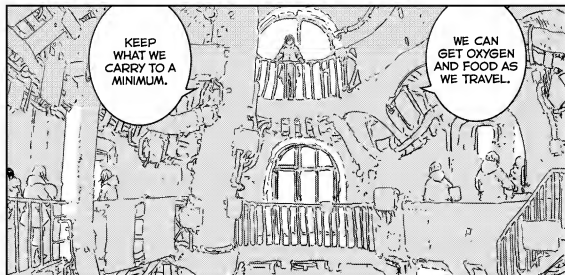
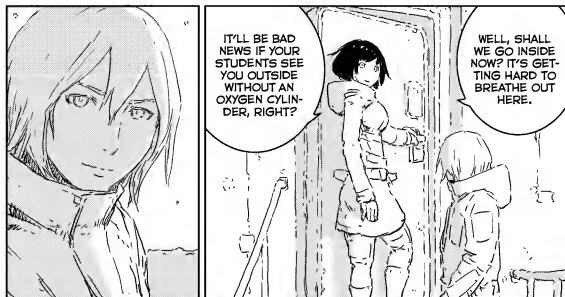
I
CAN'T
BELIEVE
IT...

I SEE...

THIS IS
REALLY
GOOD PIPE
FRUIT!

WE SET
OFF IN THE
MORNING.

YOU REALLY
LOVED THIS
CASTLE, DIDN'T
YOU, DEINA.
I'M SORRY.





THANKS
TO THE HEAT-
RESISTANT
SHEETING I
GOT FROM MY
GRANDPA!

OOH!



YEAH!

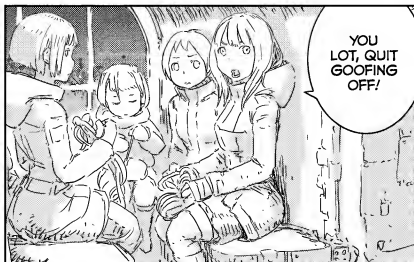
EO! WE
HEARD YOU
TOOK A SHOT
FROM AN IM-
PERIAL LENS
CANNON, BUT
YOU'RE UN-
HURT?



HAHAHA!

ALL
RIGHT!

Tyump



YOU
LOT, QUIT
GOOFING
OFF!



SHIO!
STOP!



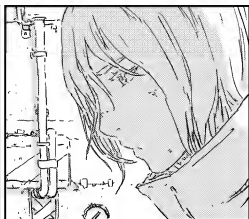
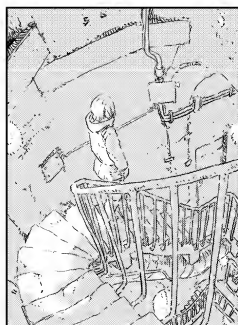
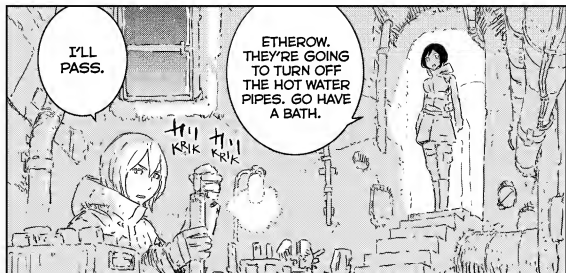
DON'T
YOU GET
THAT, YOU
SON OF
A BITCH!

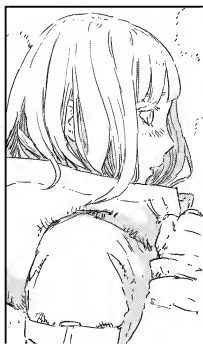
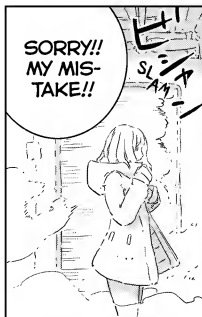
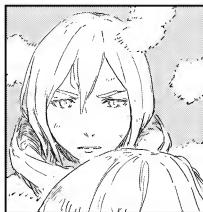
IF YOU'D LISTENED
TO WHAT ETHEROW
SENSEI SAID, WE
WOULDN'T BE IN
THIS SITUATION!

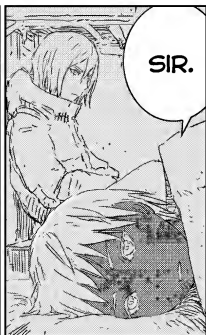
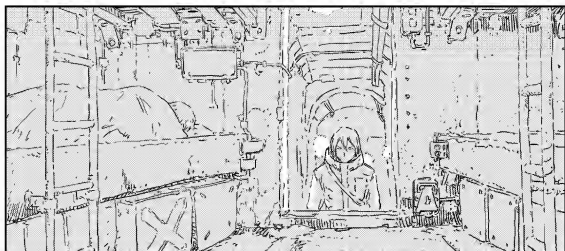
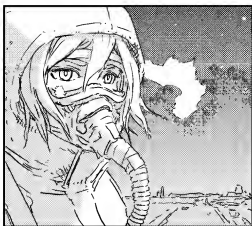
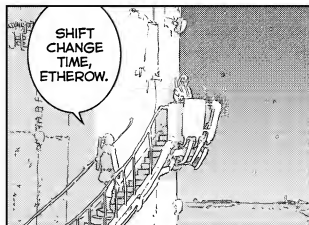


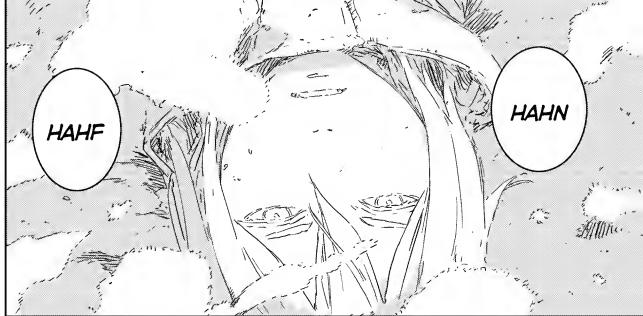
HEY!

QUIT
LAUGHING
LIKE AN
IDIOT!









HAHF

HAHN



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THRRR

AIR'S SO
THIN...

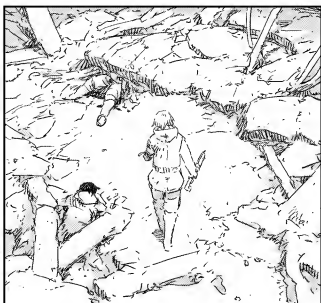
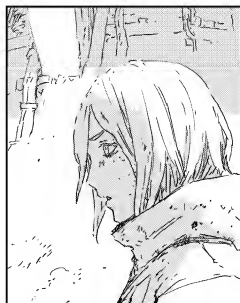
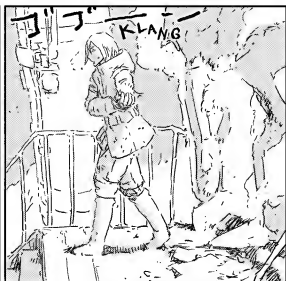
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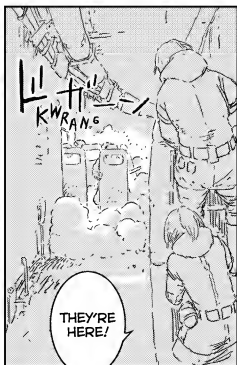
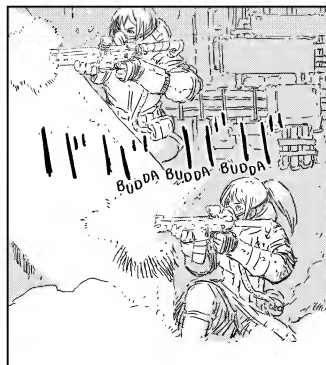
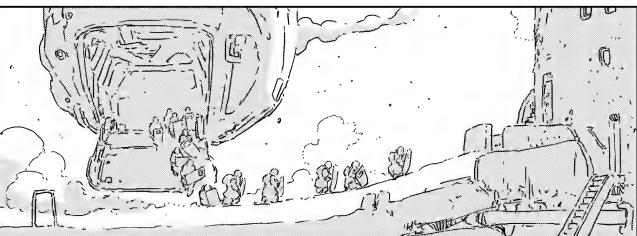


AAAH!!

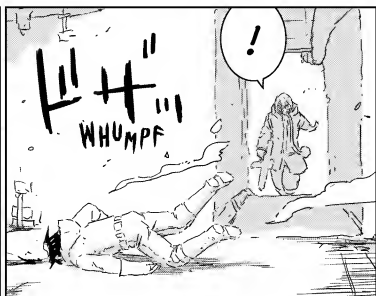
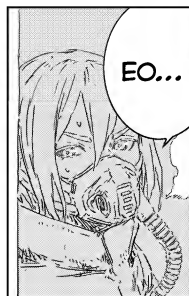
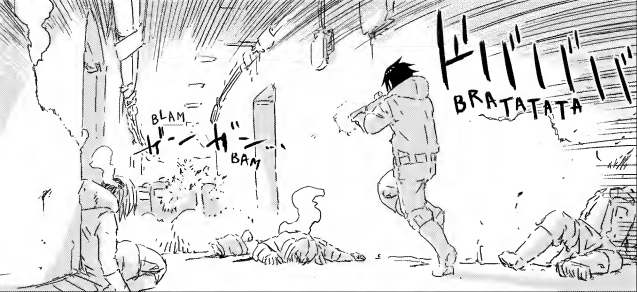


SHIO!!









TAKE THIS
AND JOIN UP
WITH THEM.

DEINA AND
THE OTHERS
ARE HEADED
FOR THE
ESCAPE
ROUTE.

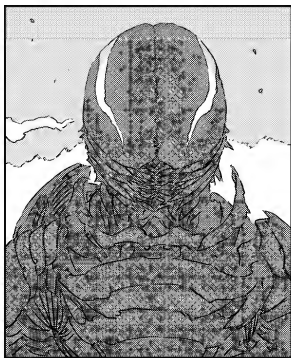
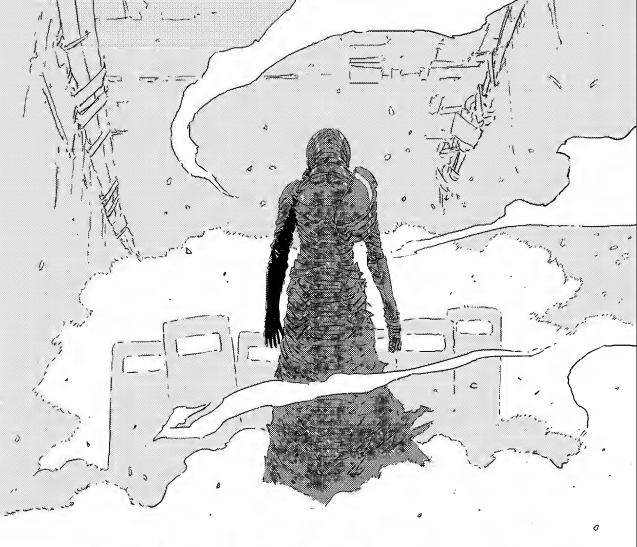
ZEZO!

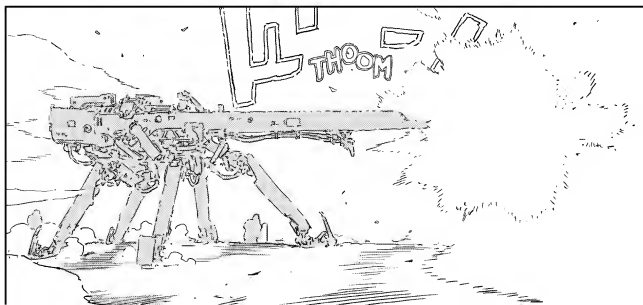
ETHE-
ROW!

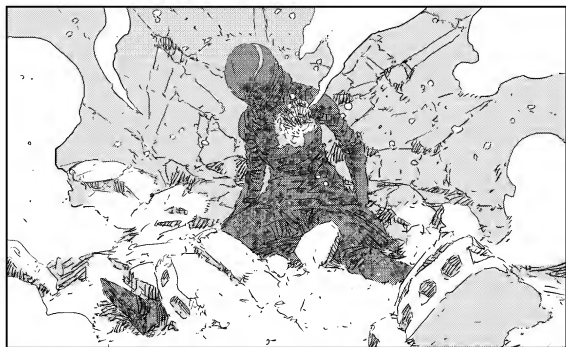
I'M CHANGING
TO ARMOR AND
FIGHTING. IF
YOU'RE NEAR
ME, YOU'LL
ACTUALLY BE
IN MY WAY.

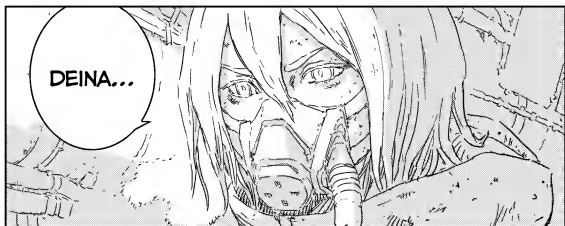
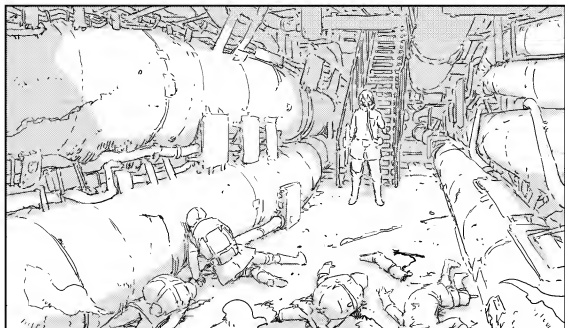
I'M
STAYING
TOO!

!!
THERE'S
NO TIME.
NOW GO!



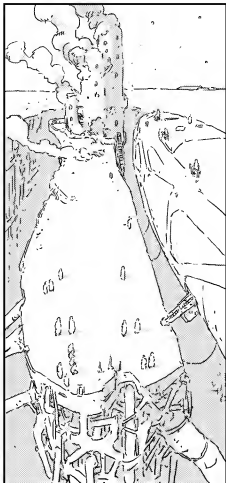
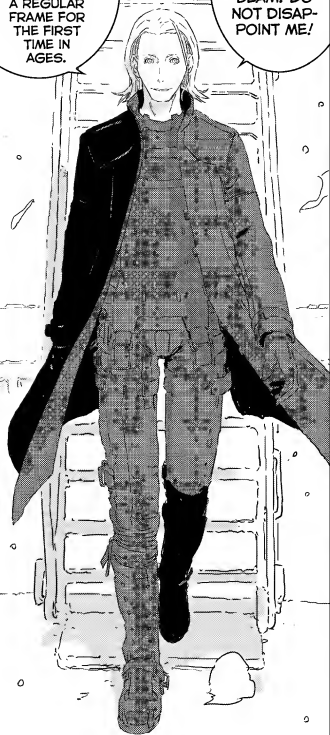






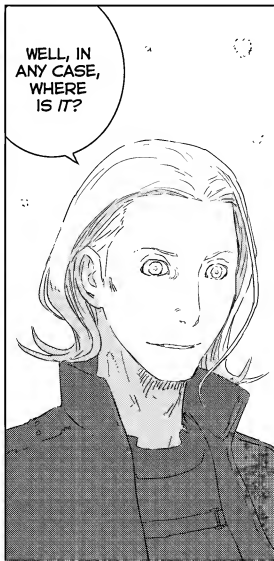
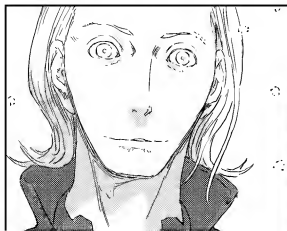
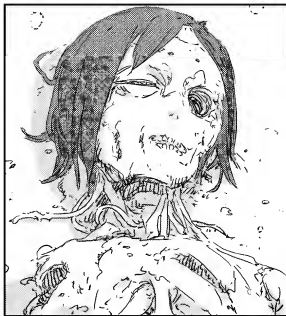
AND HERE
I'D BEEN
LOOKING
FORWARD
TO FIGHTING
A REGULAR
FRAME FOR
THE FIRST
TIME IN
AGES.

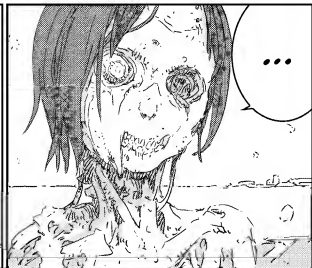
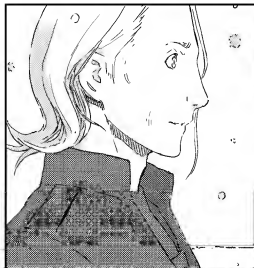
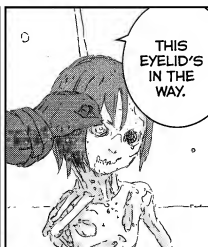
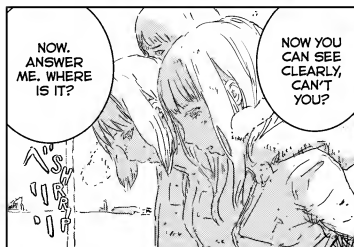
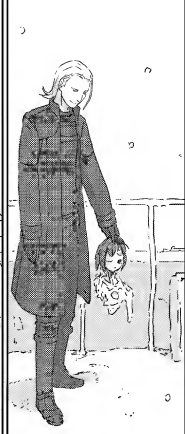
ZEZO, OF
THE WHITE
DIAMOND
BEAM. DO
NOT DISAP-
POINT ME!

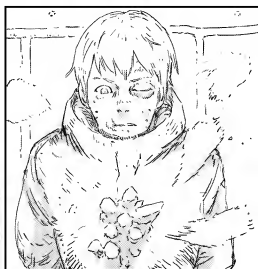
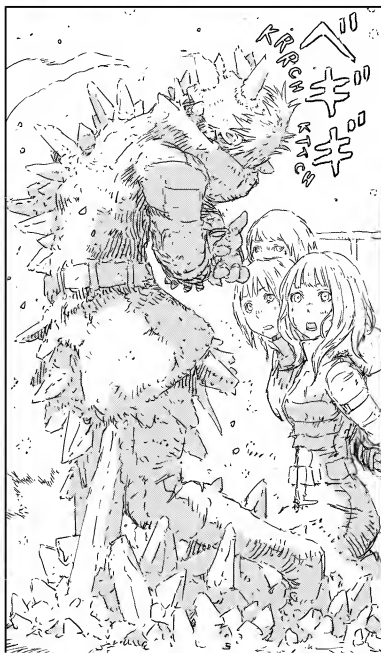
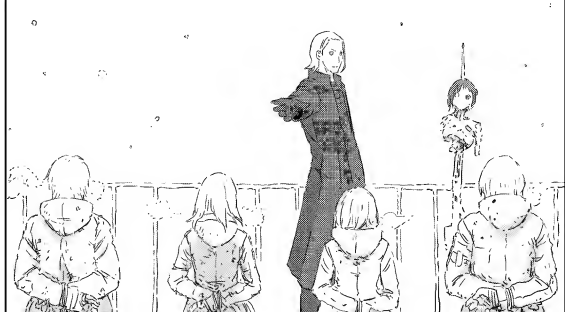


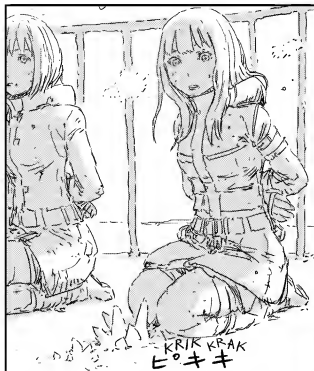
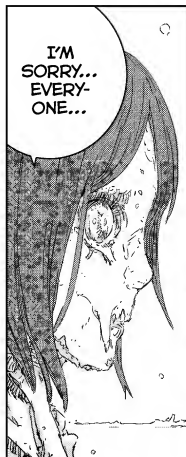
MISTER YIU,
THE AREA IS
NOW UNDER
OUR CON-
TROL.

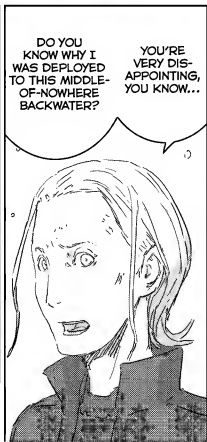
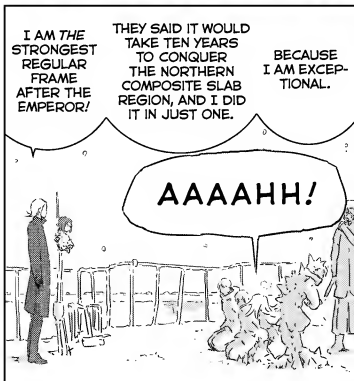
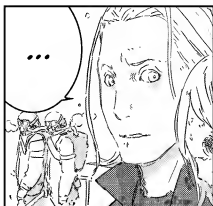
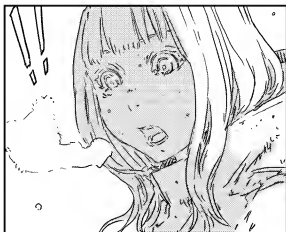


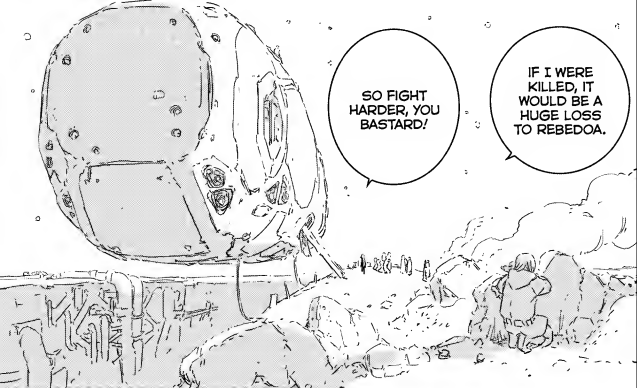






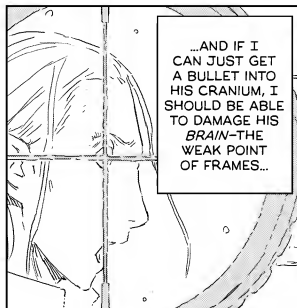




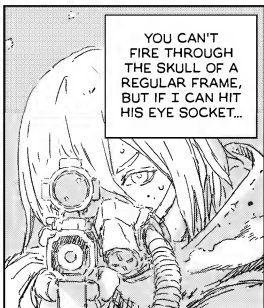


SO FIGHT
HARDER, YOU
BASTARD!

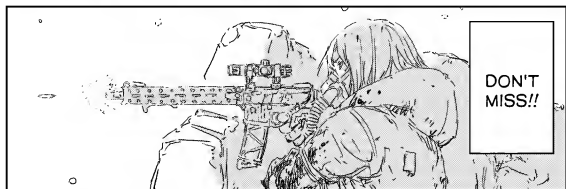
IF I WERE
KILLED, IT
WOULD BE A
HUGE LOSS
TO REBEDO.



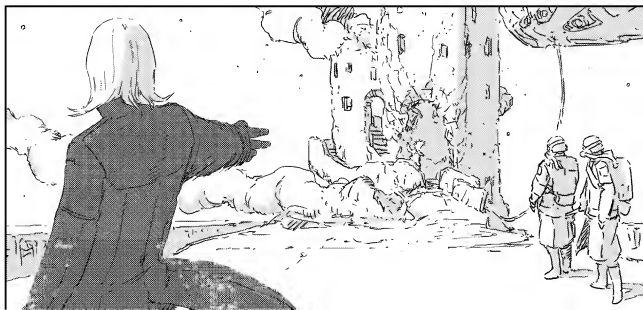
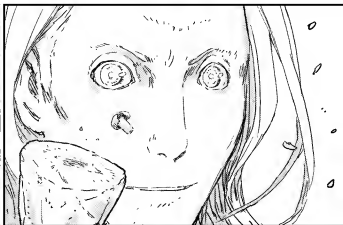
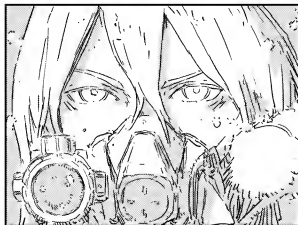
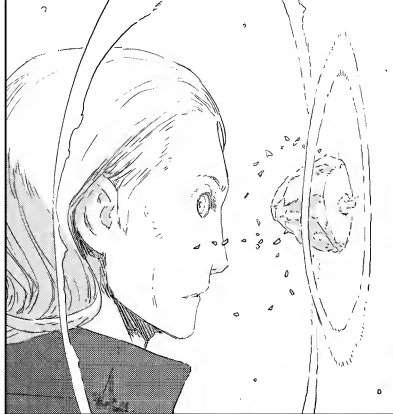
...AND IF I
CAN JUST GET
A BULLET INTO
HIS CRANIUM, I
SHOULD BE ABLE
TO DAMAGE HIS
BRAIN-THE
WEAK POINT
OF FRAMES...

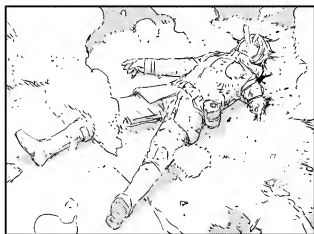


YOU CAN'T
FIRE THROUGH
THE SKULL OF A
REGULAR FRAME,
BUT IF I CAN HIT
HIS EYE SOCKET...



DON'T
MISS!!







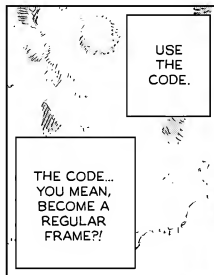
AM I DEAD?

..ME?
CAN YOU
HEAR ME?
WHAT I'M
SAYING?

MY
NAME IS
TITANIA.

WHO
ARE
YOU?

NO... BUT IN THE TIME
IT TAKES THAT SNOW
TO LAND ON YOUR
EYE, YOUR BRAIN WILL
CEASE TO FUNCTION.



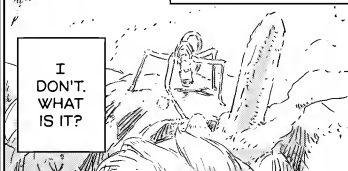
USE
THE
CODE.

THE CODE...
YOU MEAN,
BECOME A
REGULAR
FRAME?!

THERE IS ONE WAY
FOR YOU TO GET
OUT OF THIS WITH-
OUT DYING. YOU
KNOW WHAT THAT
IS, DON'T YOU?

FOR THE MOMENT,
I HAVE ACCELERATED
YOUR BRAIN'S PRO-
CESSING SPEED TO
CONVERSE WITH YOU,
BUT WE STILL DON'T
HAVE MUCH TIME, SO
LISTEN CLOSELY.

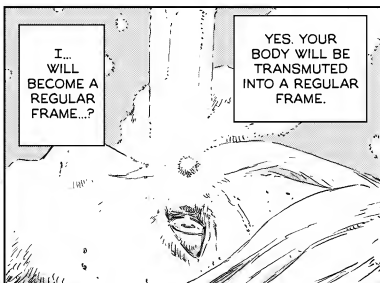
I
DON'T.
WHAT
IS IT?



YES! OF
COURSE
I WILL!

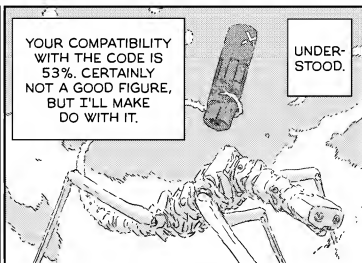
I...
WILL
BECOME A
REGULAR
FRAME...?

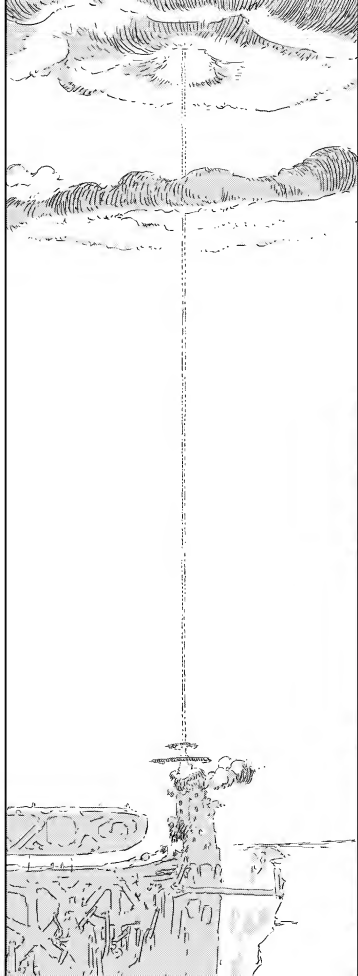
YES. YOUR
BODY WILL BE
TRANSMUTED
INTO A REGULAR
FRAME.

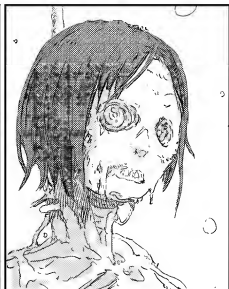
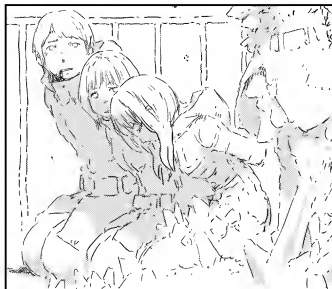
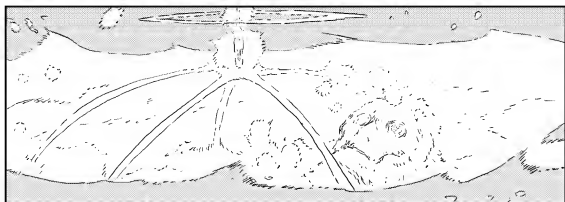
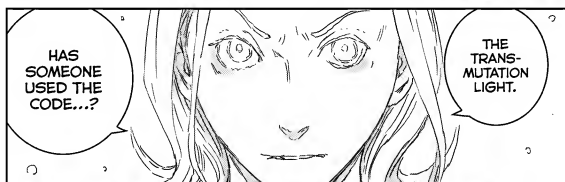


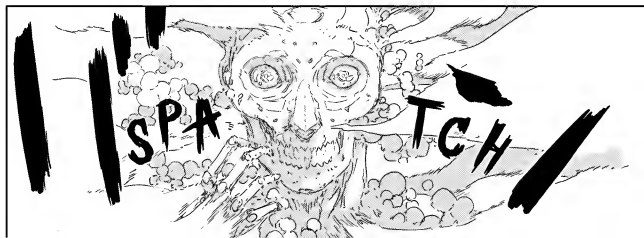
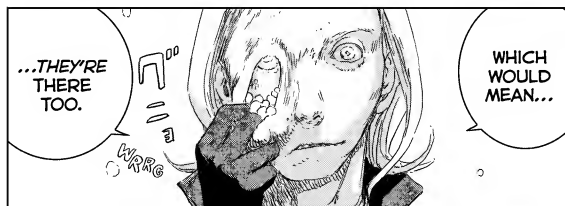
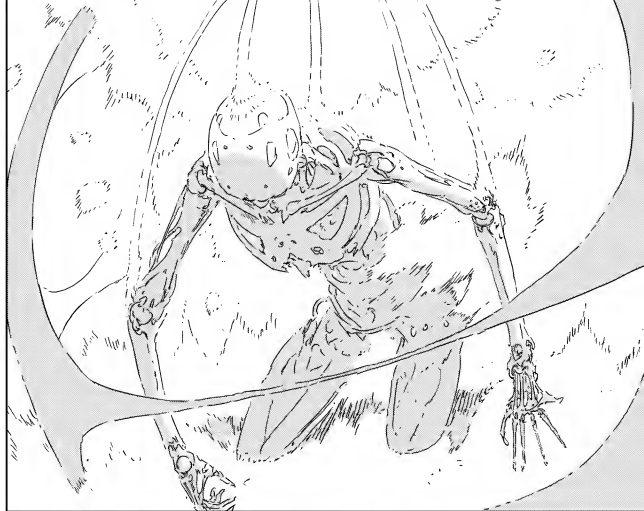
YOUR COMPATIBILITY
WITH THE CODE IS
53%. CERTAINLY
NOT A GOOD FIGURE,
BUT I'LL MAKE
DO WITH IT.

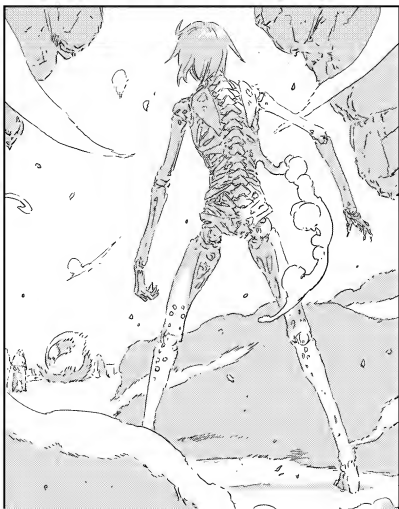
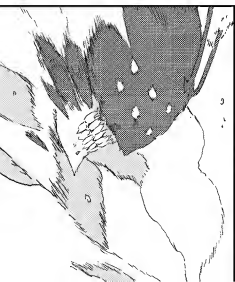
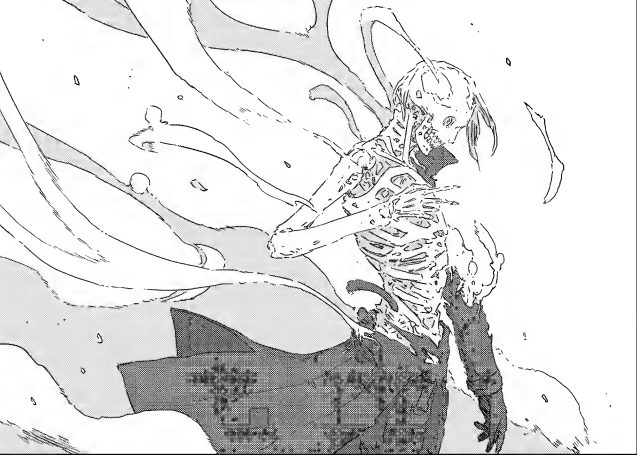
UNDER-
STOOD.













H-HOW...
DO I DO
THAT...?

YIU HAS
ARMORED UP!
YOU NEED TO
TRANSFORM
YOUR PLACENTA
AT ONCE TOO!

thuy

WHAT
A POOR
DISPLAY.

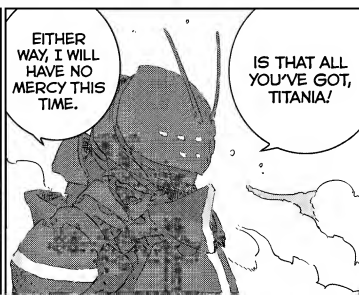
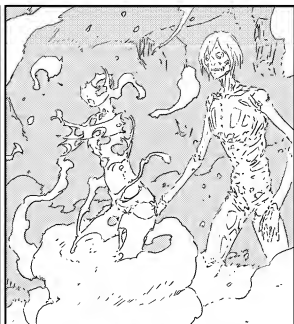
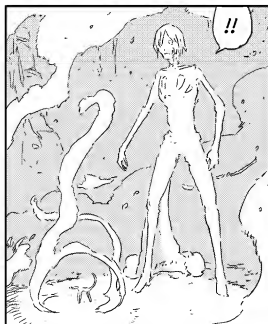
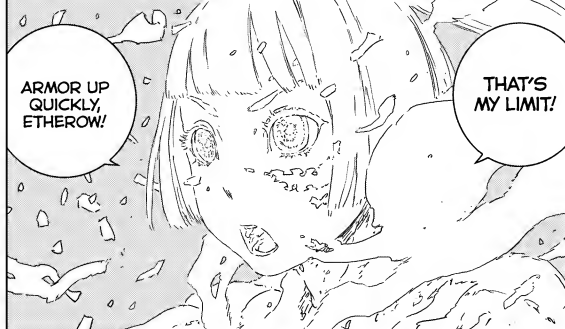
TCH!

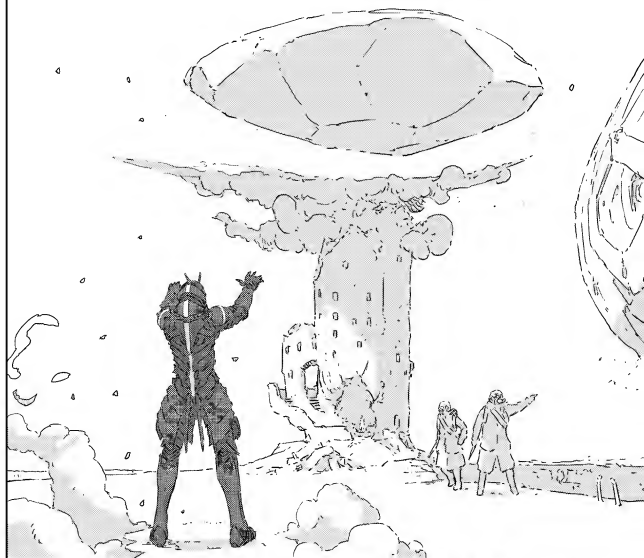
YOU'VE
WASTED
THE CODE!

CRAP! I CAN'T
EVEN MOVE
AROUND IN THIS
BODY PROPERLY!

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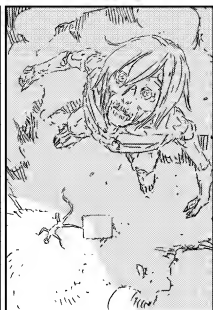
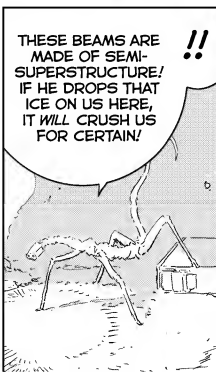


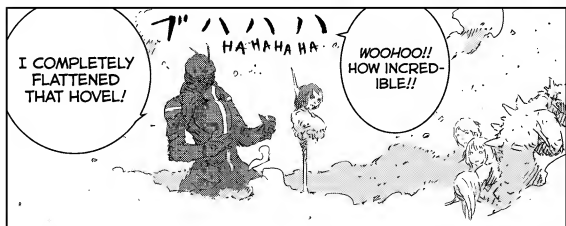
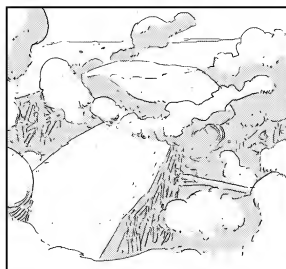
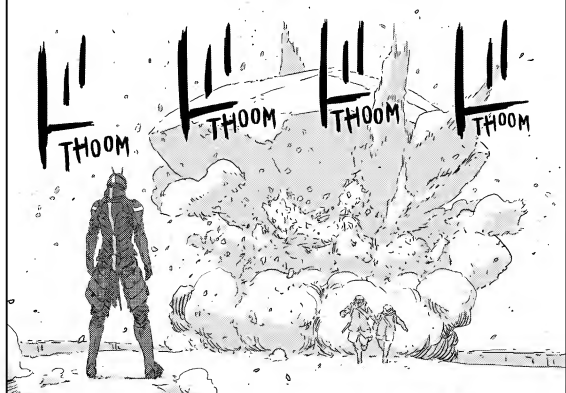


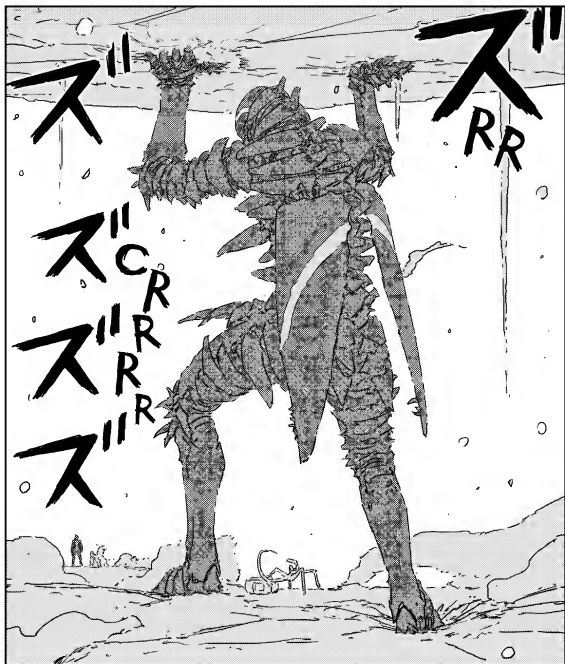
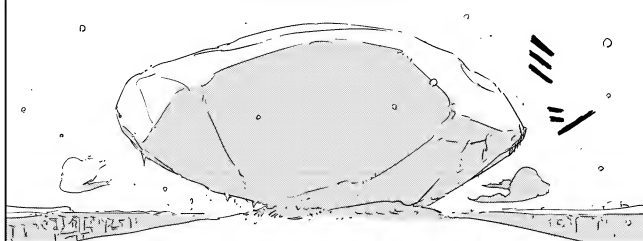


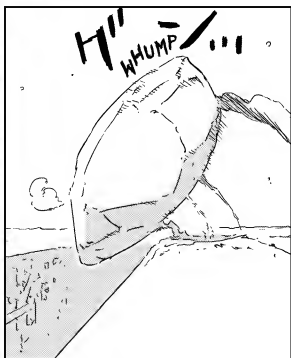
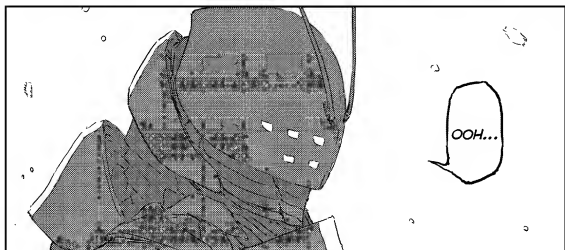
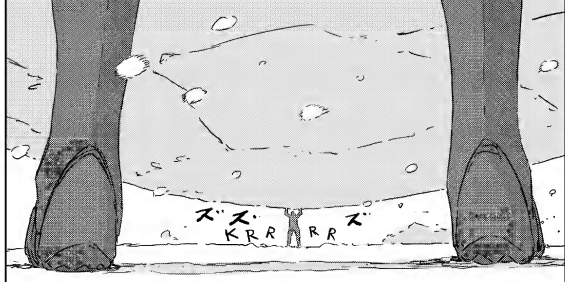
THESE BEAMS ARE
MADE OF SEMI-
SUPERSTRUCTURE!
IF HE DROPS THAT
ICE ON US HERE,
IT WILL CRUSH US
FOR CERTAIN!

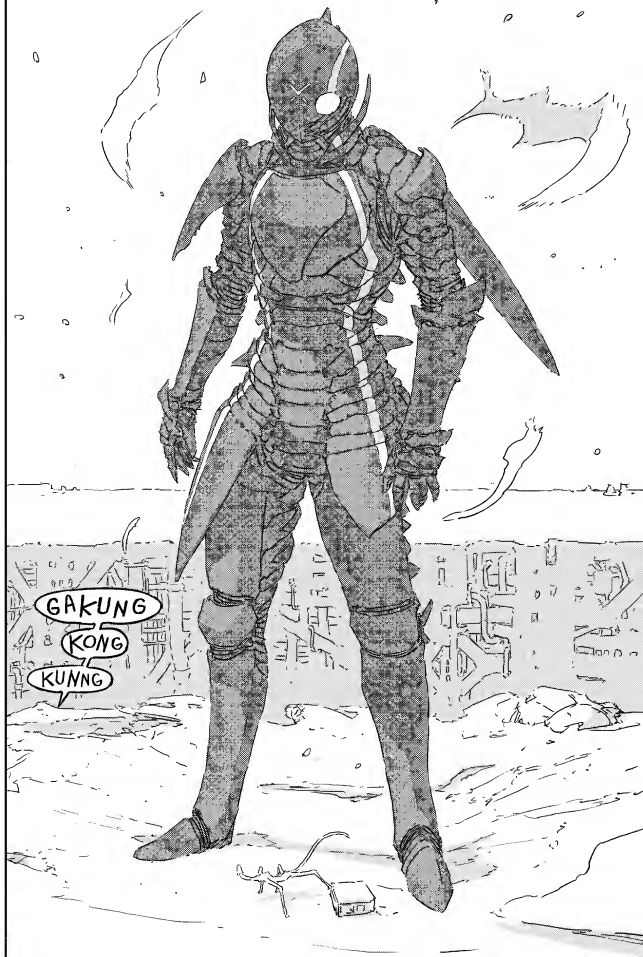
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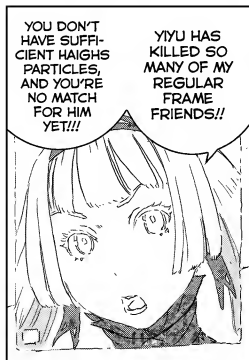
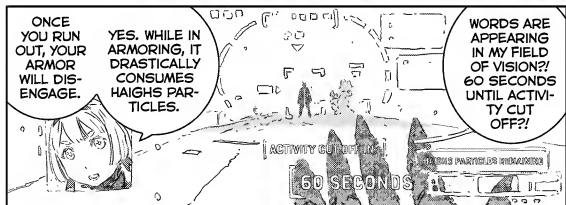
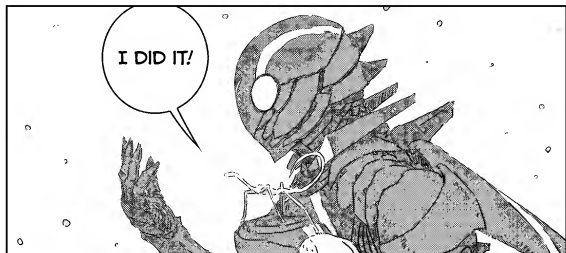


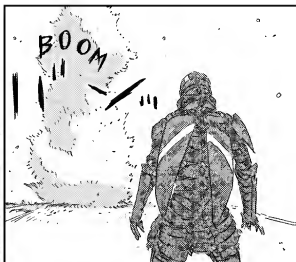
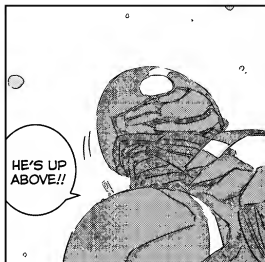


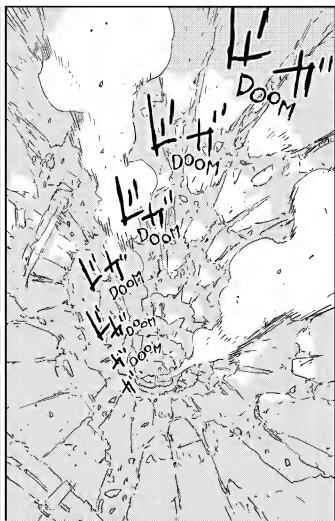
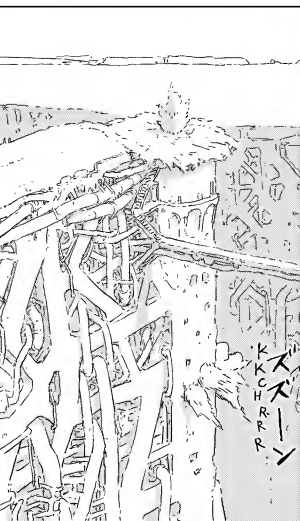
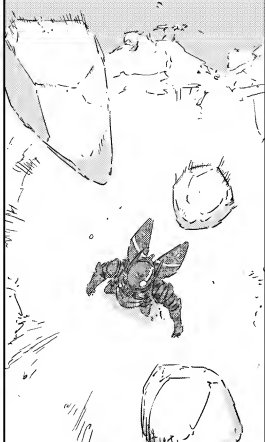
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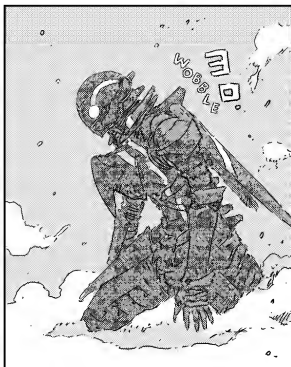
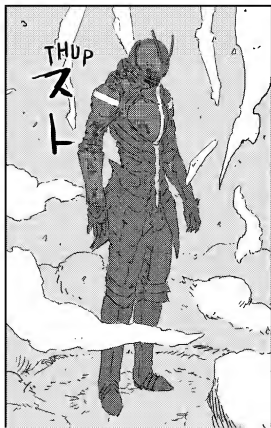
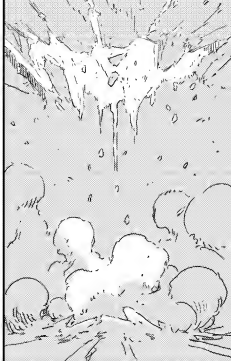
KONG

KUNNG









HAHAHAHA!
YOUR ARMOR'S
A MESS. YOU'RE
A COMPLETE
SHAMBLES.

MEANING
THE CODE YOU
ACQUIRED WASN'T
SUCH A GREAT
ONE. IT WAS A
MEDIOCRITY.

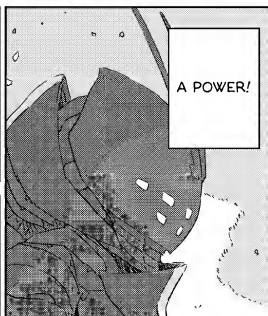
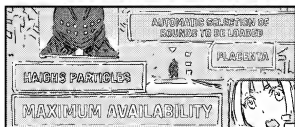
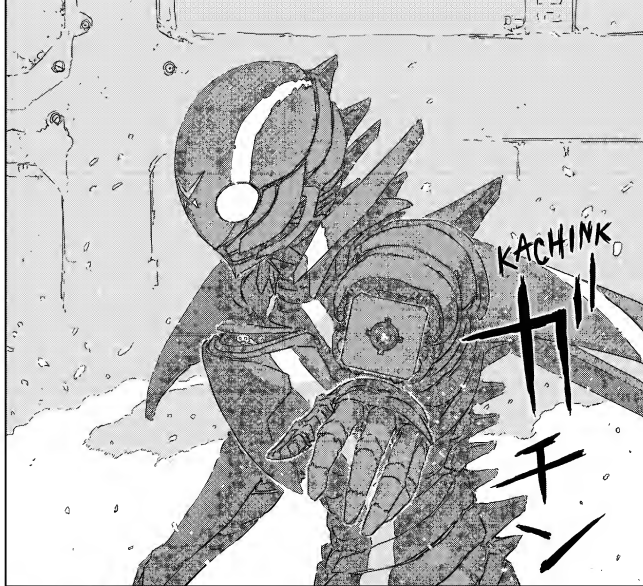
HURRY UP
AND RUN FOR
IT WHILE YOU
CAN STILL
MOVE!

THIS IS
HOW HE
ALWAYS
MOVES IN
FOR THE
KILL!

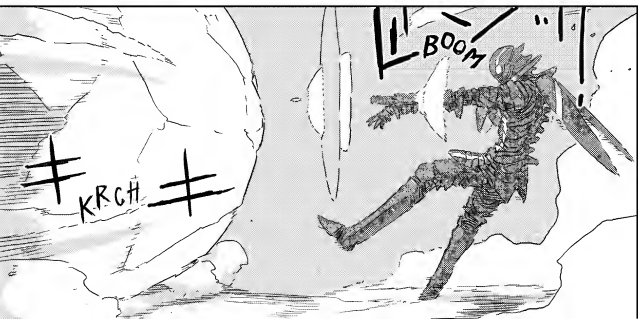
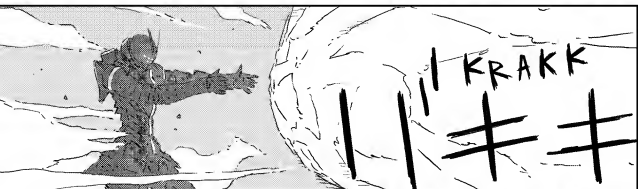
ETHE-
ROW!

ACTIVATING EBTG

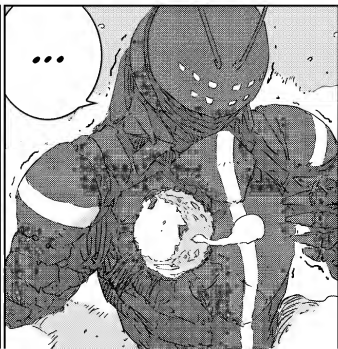
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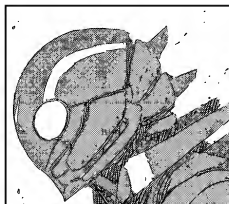


IN THAT CASE,
I'LL BLAST HIM
HEAD-ON TOO!









ACTIVITY CUT OFF IN :
8.00 SECOND



GRAAH!



